## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-8 and 16-26 have been canceled.

Claims 9-15 are currently pending.

The Office Action indicated that claims 9-15 are allowed.

Given that the only pending claims have been allowed, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Prompt and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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